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for

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Application Number	09/988,617
Filing Date	November 20, 2001
First Named Inventor	Sumio NISHIYAMA
Group Art Unit	2672
Examiner Name	R. Yang
Attorney Docket Number	107156-00080

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above identified application.  
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a. ☒ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment/Reply

iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iv. ☒ Other Petition for Extension of Time

**2. Miscellaneous**

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_ month(s). (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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i. ☐ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

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ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

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iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$1,190.00 (\$770 to cover the filing fee, \$420.00 to cover the extension fee) is enclosed.

c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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In re application of:

Sumio NISHIYAMA

Serial No.: 09/988,617

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DISPLAY IMAGES

Confirmation No.: 8798

Art Unit: 2672

Examiner: R. Yang

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**RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 2, 2004

Dear Sir:

This paper filed in response to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 6, 2004, and the Advisory Action mailed August 16, 2004, in the above-captioned patent application, the period of time for responding having been extended to September 6, 2004, by the enclosed Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time to Respond. In the prosecution of the above-captioned patent application, please consider the following: